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## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Atty. Docket No.: J-2850

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the following application:

Application

Application Serial No:

09/614,898

Filed on:

July 12, 2000

Inventors:

Woody et al.

Title:

Apparatus for and Method of Severing

And Sealing Thermoplastic Film

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Art Unit:

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Examiner:

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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	1.	Subm	ission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114					
		□ a.	Previously submitted					
·			<ul> <li>i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on [Insert Date of Amendment/Reply]         (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).     </li> </ul>					
			ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on					
			iii.Other					
		⊠ b.	Enclosed					
		$\boxtimes$	i. Amendment C (15 pages)					
			ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)					
			iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)					
			iv. Other					
	2.	Miscel	laneous					
	□ a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested un 37C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months.  (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.1 required)							
		⊠ b.	IF AN EXTENSION OF TIME IS REQUIRED IN THIS APPLICATION OR ANY PARENT APPLICATION, PLEASE CONSIDER THIS AS A REQUEST THEREFOR.					
		□ c.	Other					
	3.	Fees						
		🗵 a.	Check in the amount of \$ [770.00/385.00] is enclosed.					
		⊠ b.	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1309.					
		X	i. Any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 except issue fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1903. (A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed).					
			ii. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)					

iii.	Extension	of time	fee 37	C.F.R.	<b>§§</b> 1	1.136 and	1.17(a)

☐ iv. Other

Respectfully submitted,

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